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Petticoats, good cambric, with deep knee flounce of lawn & rows of Val. or flit lace insertion, tucks & edge; deep underlay finished with dust ruffle. \$1.50 value for

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## HISTORIC LANDMARK NOT TO BE DESTROYED

Citizens Save Park Avenue Tree Which Has Stood There for 250 Years.

GREAT AFFECTION FOR IT

Council Committee Agrees to Preserve It So Long as Members Escape Risk of Damage Suits.

One hundred and ten property-owners whose names were signed to a petition, and about as many who appeared in person, as well as representatives of the Civic Improvement League and practically every other organization in the city, appeared before the Street Committee last night to protest against the cutting down of an enormous tree which stands in the roadbed of Park Avenue, just west of Harrison Church. The tree is six feet in diameter, and is estimated to be nearly 250 years old, a relic of the days when Monroe Park was a cornfield and the country west of that a forest. Park Avenue in those days was known as Suffield Road. Mr. Bolling, who has recently made a special appropriation in response to the most urgent demands from property-owners for the smooth paving of Park Avenue, and it was against the paving contractor, who proposed the removal of the tree, that the wrath of the citizens was most excited.

Thinks It Can Be Saved. City Engineer Bolling, who had been warned by advance delegations which have been calling at his office at intervals of five minutes for the past two or three days, made a careful examination of the tree and last night reported to the committee that in his opinion the paving could be done without the removal of the tree. None of the roots, he said, projected in a manner to prevent the laying of asphalt blocks, the main roots extending directly downward.

"One of the few pictures that I have found among the papers of my predecessor, Colonel Custis, said Mr. Bolling, 'was a photograph of this tree. I should myself be sorry to see the old landmark removed. I have consented to it if it can be avoided. The tree stands in the roadway six feet from the curb. It may be that when the road is paved, the picture goes down to the roots. It will gradually die, and should this happen, it can be removed, the concrete can be put over the stump, and the pavement relaid."

The only question is the risk of accident from the maintenance of such an obstruction in a public driveway. It has stood there for 250 years, and the city has never paid any damages. On this point I have asked the view of the City Attorney."

Question of Damage. A written opinion from Mr. Pollard was then read. The City Attorney also regretted any steps looking to the removal of an old landmark, but reported that the tree was a liability, and the tree six feet in diameter, occupying one-fifth of the space. Whether this leaves the street "reasonably safe," said Mr. Pollard, was a debatable question. The tree was a liability, and the tree six feet in diameter, occupying one-fifth of the space. Whether this leaves the street "reasonably safe," said Mr. Pollard, was a debatable question. The tree was a liability, and the tree six feet in diameter, occupying one-fifth of the space. Whether this leaves the street "reasonably safe," said Mr. Pollard, was a debatable question.

After the letter of protest was read and the statements of a number of citizens as to the affection which the tree was regarded by people of the neighborhood, the committee decided to recommend to the Council a special ordinance allowing the tree to stand.

Committee Escape. The point was raised that this should be by Council action, as that the responsibility might rest with the city, not with individual members of the committee. The committee decided to recommend to the Council a special ordinance allowing the tree to stand.

Taylor to Be Tried in Police Court To-Day. The case of William Taylor, charged with the murder of his wife, Annie M. Taylor, July 6, has been set for trial in the Police Court this morning. Witnesses in the case are J. L. Bryant, G. P. Smith, Dr. W. L. Cosby, Roy Wachter, Hattie Wachter, Mary Taylor and Joseph Taylor. The case will probably be sent to the grand jury after a few of the witnesses have been examined. Taylor is now in the city jail, and has almost fully recovered from the wound he inflicted on the day he attempted to kill his wife.

Sent on to Nelson Court. William Slatley and Claude Morris, both white, charged with breaking into a canoe of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, were sent to Nelson County yesterday afternoon to stand trial. They had been held in the Henrico county jail for some time for safekeeping.

## FROGGY HOFFMAN TURNS UP AT LAST

Telegrams Flying Everywhere to Find Him as He Slept Peacefully on Train.

"Froggy" Hoffman, an eleven-year-old youngster, who went to Buckroe Beach yesterday with his mother and two older brothers, came near frightening the entire family to death after the arrival of the train here, and for a short while had many of the police force looking for him and telegrams flying up and down the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, making inquiries about a dead boy lying on the side of the track. All the time "Froggy" was asleep on one of the coaches after a dream of good times at the seashore.

The Hoffman family took the train early yesterday morning for the beach. On the return trip there was no seat for "Froggy," so he told his mother that he would go to the rear and join them when the train arrived here. They got off, but there was no sign of the boy. His mother, his brothers and the train officials searched the long train without success.

The most tenable theory then seemed to be that "Froggy" had fallen asleep on the rear platform he had been thrown off, possibly at one of the sharp curves. In the meantime the police were notified and telegrams were sent to every station.

In a hysterical condition, Mrs. Hoffman was carried to her home, where it was found necessary to call in a physician. Soon after her arrival there was a call over the telephone saying that a very sleepy youngster had been found on one of the coaches after the train arrived here. Mrs. Hoffman was told that he would soon be home. When he reached home "Froggy" was more sleepy than ever, and saw no reason why there should be rejoicing that he had turned up. He was rather tired, but he was still very sleepy.

City Committee Meets. A meeting of the City Democratic Committee was held at Murphy's Hotel last night, but no business of importance was transacted. The list of entries will close at noon to-day. All the delegates to the convention will be in the House of Delegates who do not enter by that time will be debarred from the contest.

Mr. Calvert Promoted. Post-Office Inspector Calvert, who has been stationed here for several years, has been transferred to Martinsburg, Va. It is understood that the transfer means a promotion for Mr. Calvert.

AWARD CONTRACTS TO HOME BIDDERS MAY INVESTIGATE 'PHONE SERVICE

City Board Committee Agrees on Fixtures for New High School.

After hearing from a dozen or more agents and examining many samples, the Committee on the part of the City School Board last night recommended to the full board contracts for furnishing the new High School Building, the property to be delivered here in time for the opening of the school on September 15. It is now confidently believed that many of the rooms in the new building, if not the entire structure, can be used at that time. Indeed, portions of the upper floors are already complete.

## EAST END OPEN BUILDING AREA

Section Now Occupied by Cows Will Be Graded and Made Habitable.

COWARDIN'S OFFER TO CITY

Street Committee Makes Preliminary Move After Many Delays.

After several months of consideration and delay the Street Committee last night made the preliminary move toward the opening of a large section of undeveloped property in the city limits, lying between Thirty-fourth and Thirty-ninth and Leigh and Sixth streets, and extending from the city limits to the city limits. This area has heretofore been unreached by any form of city improvements. If the scheme is carried out, it will not only open to residence building a large area on which cows now run at will, and where boys play ball at will.

The property is owned by S. P. Cowardin and others, and the proposition came from the owner. It has been modified to some extent on advice of the City Engineer and City Attorney. Mr. Cowardin will donate to the city all of the streets and alleys proposed in the survey of the annexed territory according to the plans in the office of the City Engineer, the city to agree to grade all of these streets and alleys, and at the same time to provide for the drainage of the property into the city sewer system.

Mr. Cowardin also asked exemption from sewer rates for the property until it is opened for building purposes. Some Attractive Features. After a statement from the Engineer Bolling last night several attractive features developed. Mr. Bolling pointed out that there were no streets and alleys dedicated to the city in that section east of Thirty-fourth Street; that the city would not be able to protect the water supply from pollution and to provide for the drainage of the property into the city sewer system.

Resolution authorizing the Committee on Relief of the Poor to sell the old colored Almshouse Building, at Fifth and Hospital Streets, for removal of the material from the building. Resolution authorizing a large number of allegations for street improvements, sidewalk and alley paving at the expense of abutting property-owners.

Resolution authorizing the City Attorney to acquire property, 34 feet south side of Leonard Street, between Shepherd and West Streets, for park purposes, belonging to Andrew Pizzini, no concluded action to be taken until the price is reported to the Council.

Resolution ordering certain street work to be done. Authorizing construction of sewers in Robinson Street, Kensington Street to Stuart Avenue.

Authorizing extension of a sewer in Albemarle Street, from Belvidere to Pine Street.

Resolution awarding a contract to Washington Asphalt Block and Tile Company for paving roadbed of Thirty-fourth Street, Broad to Clay Streets, at \$2.27 a square yard.

Ordinance directing Committee on Streets to grade Taylor Street from Madison Street to Robinson Street.

Authorizing temporary closing of Fulton Street, between Lester and Water Streets, in order that dikes may be built for dredging and raising streets in lower part of the city.

Requesting the Committee on Appropriation of Expenditures in the Appropriation of \$48,000 for grading, graveling, and improving streets in Fairmount.

Authorizing the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department to attend a convention of fire chiefs in Grand Rapids, Michigan, in August, appropriating \$100 for traveling expenses.

## MAYOR APPROVES MANY NEW LAWS

Electric Plant Awards, Once Vetoed, Sent Back With Executive's Signature.

NONE FELL BY WAYSIDE

Name of Duncan Street Officially Changed to Meadow—Other Measures.

Mayor Richardson returned yesterday to City Clerk Ben T. August with his approval of a series of ordinances and resolutions embracing approval of contracts for the new city garbage incinerator and for many sections of the municipal electric plant other than the electric generators proper, on which new bids have been invited. No part of the vast volume of councilmanic action submitted to the Mayor met with executive veto.

Among the papers approved were the following: Ordinance changing the name of Duncan Street to Meadow Street. Ordinance to authorize the Board of Health to lease for a nominal consideration to the Tuberculosis Camp Society for a tuberculosis camp, the property in Henrico county known as the city farm.

Authorizing Mrs. A. D. Atkinson to construct and maintain a conduit under Ninth Street, from the Richmond to the Park Hotel.

Resolution authorizing a contract between the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company and city concerning construction of sewer across the right of way of the company and under the canal.

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## 19-YEAR-OLD BOY TO GET A MILLION

Charles E. Quincy, Jr., Will Not Receive It, However, Until He Reaches Age of 35.

INTEREST IN FORD ESTATE

Beneficiary to Be Paid \$25,000 a Year Pending Final Settlement.

The will of Mrs. Florence Belle Quincy, daughter of the late A. J. Ford, has been admitted to probate in the Chancery Court of this city. Mrs. Quincy leaving an estate valued at \$1,000,000, which will eventually go to her nineteen-year-old son, Charles E. Quincy, Jr., who, until he is thirty-five years of age, is to draw an income from the trustee of \$25,000 a year. The will was first admitted to probate in New York City, where Mrs. Quincy made her home since her marriage to A. J. Ford, a New York stock broker. It was placed on record here also because of her one-fourth interest in the famous Ford estate, settlement of which is now pending in the Chancery Court, and from which the estate of Mrs. Quincy will probably draw as much as \$500,000.

Husband's Name Not Mentioned. While Mrs. Quincy had been separated from her husband, the bulk of her estate other than her interest in the Ford property, which is undivided, had been made over to her by her husband prior to the separation.

In the will, which is a lengthy document, she names the Rev. Parker Morgan, of New York, as trustee for Charles E. Quincy, Jr., directing him to pay to young Quincy \$25,000 a year until he is thirty-five years of age, when he enters into the entire estate. Willis David Bruce, of 141 Broadway, is named in the will as executor, and there is no mention of the husband, Charles E. Quincy, Jr., in the will.

Counsel for many of the interests involved in the settlement of the Ford estate were before Judge Grinnan yesterday morning in conference as to steps for the settlement of that property. A. J. Ford, once the proprietor of the Ford Hotel, in this city, and a well-known figure here for many years, was trustee of the Fontaine estate, a property valued at more than a quarter of a million dollars, in which his wife had a life interest, the estate to be divided on her death between the four children of Mr. and Mrs. Ford.

Property in Litigation. Since the death of A. J. Ford, Judge Edmund Waddill, Jr., and Edgar Allan, Jr., have been the trustees of this estate. About four months ago Mrs. A. J. Ford, now Mrs. A. J. Ford, a committee of state under the order of the court, having managed her affairs, allowing her \$4,000 a year for maintenance.

The estate owns the Ford Hotel, now lying idle and deteriorating; the Ford Hotel Building, on Ninth Street, between Grace and Franklin, and other property. Following the death of A. J. Ford, a decree was asked by certain of the attorneys for the appointment of commissioners to sell the property and wind up the estate. Meanwhile a controversy arose over the interest of B. W. Ford, a son who died two years ago, previous to the death of his mother, leaving a widow and one child. Litigation in the Law and Equity Court established the right of this child to share his father's interest in the estate.

Recently a cross bill in chancery has been filed in the Henrico Circuit Court denying the interest of the widow and child of B. W. Ford on the ground that the estate belonged to his mother and passed at her death to the children then living. B. W. Ford having died, the bill was dismissed. The point raised has not yet been passed upon by the Henrico court, and may have the effect of tying up a settlement of the main estate.

GUNST TO QUIT BOARD

Monroe Alderman Will Move Into Lee Ward on October 1.

Alderman Gunst, one of the oldest members of the Council in point of service, informed his friends at the City Hall last night that he expected to remove from Monroe to Lee Ward in October, and at that time would tender his resignation to the Council.

He was elected to the lower branch of the Council in 1894, where he served eight years, and then transferred to the Board of Aldermen, where he has served over seven years. During that time he has never had serious opposition for reelection, and has been elected every year.

The suit of the Washington Educational Association, representing the "Brink School," against the City of Richmond, against Mrs. Annie Gavin Traylor, widow of Robert Lee Traylor, came up in the Law and Equity Court of the City of Richmond last night. The suit was first filed last autumn. A difference of opinion as to what constitutes a contract was the basis of the suit. It resulted in a mistrial.

IN POLICE COURT

Barnett's Case Continued—Langhorne and Brooks Each Get Jail Sentences. William Barnett, colored, charged with stealing a watch valued at \$80 from the store of J. W. Langhorne, in the Police Court yesterday morning to July 23.

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## MITCHELL'S PLEA FOR COLORED RACE

Bank President Protests Against Building Line to Prevent Erection of Structure.

A large delegation of citizens appeared before the Street Committee last night to ask for the establishment of a building line on Clay Street, between Second and Third, with a view of preventing the erection of the proposed new building of the Mechanics' Savings Bank, colored, plans for which have been filed with Inspector Beck, and which it is proposed to build out flush to the street line at the northwest corner of Third and Clay Streets.

A petition asking for the establishment of a building line fifteen feet six inches back from the street line was presented, signed by owners of 193 feet on the block, the total being 260 feet.

Former Alderman John Mitchell, colored, now president of the Mechanics' Savings Bank, appeared for the building line, explaining that a white architect had drawn the plans; that the building was to cost \$20,000, with a vault to cost \$10,000 more; that the building would be an ornament to the neighborhood, and the business quiet and unobstructed.

While making no threat, he showed the committee that he held the upper hand of the situation, merely mentioning that he personally owned fifty-eight feet at the corner of Adams and Clay streets, just opposite the Clay Street Methodist Church; that he owned the houses 214 East Clay and 16 East Clay, all rented to white people, but intimating that he could find colored tenants who would pay as good rent, and that it was only his consideration for white property-owners in the neighborhood, which had so far prevented his renting any of this property to negroes.

He made quite an eloquent appeal for fairness to the negroes, saying that the city was enlarging the white section by pushing Lee Street to the corner of the colored race line. He alluded to the time when he had himself been in the Board of Aldermen from Jackson Ward, and to his service on the Street Committee with several of the present members.

As for the bank, he said it would add \$35,000 to the taxable values of Clay Street, and that on nearly every block on that street there were houses coming out to the street line. He said he had been North into New England, and into the far West, and he had found the colored people of Richmond in the country, and in many respects ahead of any city, attributing this to the fact that they had found no better friends than the white people of Richmond.

No Action Taken. Alderman Gunst, who had been alluded to as being on the Street Committee with Mitchell, and who lives on the block on which it is proposed to build the bank, argued against allowing a building to come out on the street line, saying that it would depreciate the property.

Mr. Adams took the side of the bank and argued for delay in establishing the building line, and when the matter was put to a vote, the property owners on the block, who were more than the erection of the bank to have the two houses occupied by people of the colored race.

Mr. Redford was spokesman for the property-owners of the neighborhood. He said they could not object to the building of the bank, but they could object to the building of the bank, which was a white building, on the street line, and he argued for the establishment of the building line until the next meeting to inquire into certain points involved in the case. Being the only negative on the motion for delay.

Two Charges Against Price. John Price, a tool dresser at the American Locomotive Works, got drunk last night near Seventh and Broad Streets. He was arrested and was rather wild on his way to the police station in the automobile. When he went before the sergeant he was as quiet as a lamb, but as soon as he got into the cell he proceeded to use language that even the police officers, who are used to rough talk, could not stand, and an additional charge of being disorderly in the station was preferred against him.

Mr. Price Will Come Back. Rosevelt Price has been recommended for the House of Delegates in Henrico county to succeed himself. The time for entries in the primary expired yesterday, no one else appeared against him. The candidates for the nomination for House delegate from Hanover and King William are the incumbent, Edward H. Incumbent, and W. A. Willerby, a former delegate.

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